



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Office of the Governor

Terence R. McAuliffe
Governor

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Dear Fellow Virginians:

I am honored to launch the 2016 Stewardship Virginia fall campaign which will run September 1 through October 31. Stewardship Virginia encourages volunteers to participate in projects that will contribute to conserving Virginia's landscapes, improving water quality, providing for improved recreational opportunities, and supporting fisheries and wildlife.

Citizens, businesses and service groups across the Commonwealth are encouraged to become involved by adopting streams, planting buffers, improving wildlife habitat, and taking part in educational and recreational programs. This year's campaign will emphasize establishing habitat for pollinators.

Given your commitment to wise stewardship, I am asking you to identify and undertake one or more projects and to register your event or activity with Stewardship Virginia. I will personally thank each participant with a certificate of appreciation. You can register online or complete the attached registration form and mail or fax it to the address listed. You may also volunteer for a project sponsored by a natural resource agency. You will find the project listed here: www.dcr.virginia.gov/stewardship.

The Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation plays the lead role in this campaign. If you have any questions, please call Bonnie Phillips with DCR's Office of Environmental Education at 804-786-5056.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terence R. McAuliffe", written over a large, stylized circular flourish.

Terence R. McAuliffe